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MEMORANDUM FOR: See Distribution

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SUBJECT : Military Analytic Exchanges []

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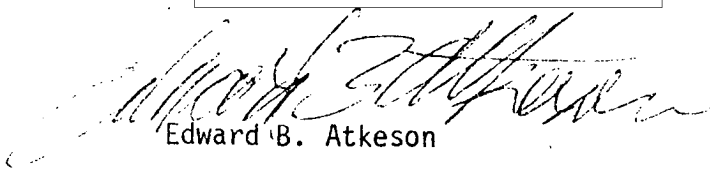
1. I would like to hold an exploratory meeting of intelligence analysts working in the military area. If it proves useful, we may wish to establish a series of such exchanges that would bring general purpose forces analysts and managers together on a periodic basis for discussion of key substantive issues. The purpose of these meetings would be to foster community dialogue on Soviet and other general purpose force developments of interest, to exchange information on agency research and production programs, and to illuminate issues which we may wish to bring to the attention of senior intelligence managers. In addition, I am interested in exploring intelligence gaps on key analytic problems where sensitizing of the collection community or redirection of collection efforts may be of use. []

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2. The format of these meetings would be similar to the monthly "warning meetings" held by the regional NIOs: short presentations on a few topics, followed by general discussion. On some issues, meetings might be devoted to a single, particularly critical topic. An agenda for the first meeting and a listing of potential topics for future meetings is attached. []

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3. The initial meeting will be held at 1300 hours on Thursday, 9 June 1983 in room 7D64, CIA Headquarters Building. Please provide the names and clearances of those who will attend [] by COB 7 June 1983. []

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